

Minutes of Special and Regular Meeting of November 24, 2015

CLOSED SESSION [Third Floor Conference Room], 6:30 p.m.

- (1) Conference With Labor Negotiators (Govt Code Section 54957.6)
Agency designated representatives: Greg Scoles
Employee organization: Fire Management Unit (FMU) and AFSCME

Attended by Councilmembers Reed, Lieberman, Stone, Braunstein. Councilmember Wright was absent.

ADJOURNMENT at this time, being 6:55 P.M.

Terri Cook
City Clerk

REGULAR MEETING City Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER 7:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Reed, Lieberman, Stone, Braunstein

Councilmembers Absent: Wright

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Michael Elkins, Notre Dame de Namur University

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

No report.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation Honoring the 30th Anniversary of Notre Dame de Namur University's A Christmas Carol, "The Gift"

Mayor Braunstein presented the proclamation.

Mike Elkins, Notre Dame de Namur University ("Scrooge") commented that the positive attitude of the City of Belmont has fostered the ability to provide this production. He noted that this reflects character of the community.

George Metropulos, Belmont resident and cast member of A Christmas Carol, invited the community to the show.

Presentation by San Mateo County Supervisor Carole Groom

Supervisor Carole Groom thanked Mayor Braunstein for his service on the City Council. She pointed out that he has been a quiet leader.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

George Sturgeon, Belmont business owner, spoke regarding the condition of Old County Road, including the need to underground utilities and install new lighting.

COUNCILMEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Braunstein announced that City Hall would be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday. He announced the upcoming Tree Lighting ceremony at Carlmont Shopping Center on November 30. He noted the Council reorganization meeting on December 8th, with an earlier starting time.

COMMENTS REGARDING CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Reed requested the removal of Consent Item 7-C (Ordinance Amending Massage Businesses Regulations) for separate consideration.

ITEMS APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to Receive Monthly Financial Reports

Resolution 2015-113 authorizing the City Manager to execute a new agreement for claims administration services with Carl Warren & Company (Carl Warren) in the initial amount of \$12,000, with triennial renewals thereafter.

Motion to approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of November 10, 2015

Resolution 2015-114 authorizing a supplemental appropriation to amend the FY2016 Budget to \$4.17M for the City's portion of the Silicon Valley Clean Water (SVCW) fourth bond funding

ACTION: On a motion by Councilmember Stone, seconded by Councilmember Reed, the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved, as amended (4-0, Wright absent).

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION

Introduction of an ordinance repealing Chapter 13 and adopting a new Chapter 13 of the Belmont City Code relating to the regulation of massage businesses

City Attorney Rennie pointed out that this ordinance was last amended in 2003, and some State laws have subsequently changed relative to massage establishments. He noted that the ordinance is being updated to reflect those new regulations. He explained that San Mateo County is attempting to combat human trafficking, and that cities in the county are adopting similar ordinance to allow for coordinated approach on enforcement.

Councilmember Reed applauded the County and City staff for its coordinated effort on this matter.

City Attorney Rennie read the title of the ordinance for the record.

ACTION: On a motion by Councilmember Reed, seconded by Councilmember Lieberman, and unanimously approved (4-0, Wright absent) to introduce an ordinance repealing Chapter 13 and adopting a new Chapter 13 of the Belmont City Code relating to the regulation of massage businesses, said motion to include waiving the reading of the full text, and to set the second reading and adoption for December 8, 2015

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing Regarding the City of Belmont's Proposal to Revise Maximum Rate for Solid Waste Collection Services for CY 2016

Public Works Director Oskoui noted that a detailed presentation made on this matter to the City Council in September, and this hearing fulfills the obligations of the Proposition 218 requirements.

Shawn Koorn, Solid Waste Consultant, summarized the solid waste rates as outlined at the council meeting in September. He reviewed the rate setting process as provided for in the franchise agreement, and noted a net increase in rates of less than 1 percent.

In response to Councilmember Lieberman's inquiry regarding comparison of rates with other cities, Public Works Director Oskoui noted that their rate increases are flat, similar to Belmont. He pointed out that previous years' cart migration was handled differently in different cities, which may have resulted in \$300,000 to \$500,000 savings for Belmont since inception of the agreement.

Mayor Braunstein opened the Public Hearing. No one came forward to speak.

City Clerk Cook noted that 16 protest letters were received.

ACTION: On a motion by Councilmember Reed, the Public Hearing was closed.

ACTION: On a motion by Councilmember Reed, seconded by Councilmember Stone, Resolution 2015-115 stating the City of Belmont's intent to revise the maximum rate that may be charged for solid waste, recyclable materials, and, organic materials collection services effective January 1, 2016

COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, AND COUNCIL INTERGOVERNMENTAL ASSIGNMENT UPDATES, AND STAFF ITEMS

Verbal report from Councilmembers on Intergovernmental (IGR) and Subcommittee Assignments

Councilmembers reported on their various intergovernmental assignments.

Verbal report from City Manager

City Manager Scoles described the workshop held on November 18th regarding single family home zoning and tree ordinance discussion, and that the next meeting on this topic would be held on December 7. He explained that Beautiful Belmont Awards would be presented at the December 8

City Council meeting. He announced an upcoming walking /biking tour on December 13 to help with bike/pedestrian plan for city.

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Meeting audio-recorded and videotaped.